NCAA Board Meeting Dec 3, 2008 Pitt County Cooperative Extension Center

Members present: Robert Bishop, George Sullivan, Sterling Davenport, Dale Pridgen, Randy Gray, Al Tinney, Marion Tinney, Nancy Sugg, Christie Potts

Nancy Sugg called the meeting to order at 1pm

Matt Parker presented the minutes and the financial report. Randy Gray motioned to accept the minutes as read. Dale Pridgen 2nd.

Annual Meeting will be held at the 2009 NC Aquaculture Development Conference. Matt Parker has arranged for Paul Sherman from NC Farm Bureau to come speak about NC Water regulations. He should be able to answer some questions about recent water use regulations. We will also hold a silent auction fundraiser at the conference. We currently have commitments from The NC Aquaculture Development Conference, Carolina Flavors Online, Castle Hayne Fisheries, Zeigler Brothers Feed, Pungo Fisheries, Aquatic Ecosystems, Carolina Fisheries, Sullivan Fish Farms, Fresh Keepers Cooperative, Millpond Crawfish, and Alton & Marion Tinney. Matt will contact participants from the NCADC Trade Show for more items. The board would also like Matt Parker to determine minimum bids for the items donated.

Friend of the Farmer Award- The board voted to not give out a friend of a farmer award this year until all previous winners could be identified. It will reconsider for next year.

Old Business: Matt Parker gave everyone an update on the Invasive species article published in Coastwatch. It was a random picture picked out to fill the page. Marc Turano is willing to talk to anyone about it further that would like to know more.

New Business: Matt Parker suggested we acquire the web address http://www.ncaquacultureassociation.com to make the address easier to find and type out. Cost to the association is \$50.95 total for 5 years. Randy Gray made the motion for Matt Parker to purchase this address. Sterling Davenport 2nd.

Randy Gray suggested we issue a vanity plate to any NEW member that joins at the NC Aquaculture Development Conference. This would not apply to renewals. Robert Bishop motioned to issue a vanity plate for new members at the conference. George Sullivan 2nd.

Nancy Sugg invited Mr. David Hines from Burris Feed Mill to the meeting since he would be in the area. Mr. Hines told the group about his background with Cargill and Burris Feed Mill. He then told us the purpose of his visit was to introduce himself and Burris Feed to the NC Aquaculture Industry. He will try to attend the conference.

The next meeting will be held at the NC Aquaculture Development Conference Jan 30, 2009. The following meeting will be Feb 25, 2009 at 1pm at the Pitt County Cooperative Extension Center.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:30